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For: WASHING MACHINE

Examiner: R. R. Patel

**COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS
FOR ALLOWANCE UNDER 37 CFR §1.104(E)**

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Sir:

Applicants have received the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance with the October 11, 2007 Notice of Allowance and Allowability regarding the above-identified application.

Applicants thank the Examiner for allowing claims 1-10. However, because the reasons for allowance do not correspond word for word with the allowed claims, the reasons for allowance should not be in any way construed to limit the scope of the protection offered by the allowed claims. Each of the claims stands on its own merits and is patentable because of the combination it recites and not because of the presence or absence of any one particular element.

The Examiner's Statement was not prepared by Applicants and only contains the Examiner's possible positions in one or more reasons for allowability. Thus, any interpretation

with respect to the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance should not be imputed to the Applicants.

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